

Appendix A-1 to Safe Sanctuary Policy
Trinity Church-United Methodist
Youth Program Participant Behavior Agreement
(To be signed by both youth participants and parents/legal guardians.)

This page must be completed for middle school and high school youth ONLY.

As representatives of Christ and the Church, we, the participants in the Trinity Church-United Methodist (TCUM) Youth Program, take seriously our responsibility to care for one another. This agreement represents our affirmation of our concern for the wellbeing of the total community. We make this agreement with each other to insure the safety of all, to make our time together most meaningful, and to care for the facility which we share. In addition to our general concern for our community, we agree specifically to:

1. Participate in every program session and small group meeting. Your time at TCUM begins when you arrive on church premises, or wherever the church activity is held – and continues until the activity is completed.
2. Respect the person, equipment and property of others. (For example, be sure that something you may intend as funny does not hurt feelings, injure people, or damage property.)
3. Use language, behavior and attitudes which are consistent with the Christian faith.
4. Remain on the program site unless having been given permission to leave.
5. Attend all activities including meals.
6. On overnight activities, observe scheduled curfew by being in rooms, quiet, and not disruptive to others. Never enter the room of someone of the other gender.
7. Leave vehicles parked and unoccupied.
8. Follow the direction given by the program leader for cell phone use. Other personal devices should be left at home, unless you are asked to bring one (tablet, etc.) to assist with a church activity.
9. Refrain from use of tobacco products or other smoking devices.
10. Refrain from bringing weapons, illegal substances, explosives, fireworks, alcohol or dangerous materials.
11. Leave animals/pets at home unless they are invited to a specific activity.

This agreement is made between each person and the whole group. I agree to follow all of the above because I desire to represent Jesus in a positive manner at all times.

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| Participant Signature | Email address | Date |
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| Parents/Guardians Signature | Email address | Date |

Permission to Participate in Activity and to Transport Youth with One Adult in Vehicle

I, the undersigned parent or guardian, do hereby give my permission for my youth to participate in TCUM Youth Ministry activities throughout the year. I also do give my permission for my youth to be transported to and/or from TCUM activities by TCUM-designated leadership and employees with only one adult in the vehicle, if necessary. I understand that my youth and I will need to sign in at the beginning of each activity and make sure our information on file is current.

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| Signature of Parent/Guardian | Date |

Communication by Email, Texting and Social Media

___ I authorize staff members of TCUM to communicate **by email and/or texting** with my child/youth or the child/youth for whom I have legal guardianship.

___ I authorize staff members of TCUM to communicate **using Google Groups or Facebook** with my child/youth or the child/youth for whom I have legal guardianship.

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| Signature of Parent/Guardian | Date |